

Westminster Presbyterian Church
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
October 18, 2020
11:00 a.m.



Unknown. Stoning of Saint Stephen from Sant Joan de Boí.

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prelude Prelude in Classic Style

Gordon Young

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

✠Call to Worship

Leader: Heaven is God's throne.

People: **The earth is the Lord's footstool.**

Leader: How could we ever build a house for God?

People: **For all that we create, possess, and offer belongs to God.**

Leader: This is the worship that God demands:

People: **A humble and contrite heart, who trembles at God's Word.**

✠Please rise as you are able.

✠Hymn God is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an



of - fer praise and prayer, may we find in
 life - long need of grace; here are ta - ble,
 Shep - herd's flock and fold; here as bread and
 age of change and doubt keep us faith - ful



full - er mea - sure what it is in Christ we share.
 font, and pul - pit; here the cross has cen - tral place.
 wine are tak - en, Christ sus - tains us as of old.
 to the gos - pel; help us work your pur - pose out.



Here, as in the world a - round us, all our
 Here in hon - es - ty of preach - ing, here in
 Here the ser - vants of the Ser - vant seek in
 Here, in this day's ded - i - ca - tion, all we



var - ied skills and arts wait the com - ing
 si - lence, as in speech, here, in new - ness
 wor - ship to ex - plore what it means in
 have to give, re - ceive: we, who can - not



of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

✠Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, You call us to glorify you in all that we do.

Yet we confess that even during the hour we set aside each week for worship,
we focus mainly on ourselves: claiming the places we like to sit;
insisting that we sing our preferred hymns; listening for what we want to hear;
and offering only what we think appropriate in exchange for spiritual 'goods' received.
Forgive us, O God.

Help us be more eager to give than to receive;
and to serve than to be served, so that we might resemble
more closely the body of Christ, who gives us our life. Amen.

(time for silent confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Children of God, believe the good news!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Acts 7:54-8:25 (NT p. 126)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✠Anthem Wer Gottes Marter in Ehren Hat

Henrich Schutz

Time for Personal Reflection, Prayer, and Giving

Prayer Meditation Change My Heart O God

CHANGE MY HEART

Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true. *fine*

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the Pot - ter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray. *to Refrain / al Estribillo / 후렴*

The musical score is written in 4/4 time on a single treble clef staff. It features a key signature of one sharp (F#) and includes various musical notations such as rests, eighth notes, quarter notes, and chords. There are also dynamic markings like 'f' and 'mf', and performance instructions like 'fine' and 'to Refrain / al Estribillo / 후렴'.

✠Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

...Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

WE BEAR GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

✠Hymn Lord Jesus Think on Me

SOUTHWELL



1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin. From
2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, a - mid the bat - tle's strife. In
3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray. Through
4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when this life is past, I



earth-born pas - sions set me free, and make me pure with - in.
all my pain and mis - er - y be thou my health and life.
dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point thou the heaven - ly way.
may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see, and share thy joy at last.

✠Benediction

Postlude Offertoire

Jean Francois Dandrieu

When our worship is over, our service begins

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